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—*noun*

1. a fluid or viscous substance used for writing or printing.
2. a dark, protective fluid ejected by the cuttlefish and other cephalopods.
3. *Informal.* publicity, esp. in print media: *Their construction plans got some ink in the local paper.*

—*verb (used with object)*

4. to mark, stain, cover, or smear with ink: *to ink one's clothes.*
5. *Slang.* to sign one's name to (an official document): *We expect to ink the contract tomorrow.*

[Origin: 1200–50; ME *inke*, *enke* < OF *enque* < LL *encautum*, var. of *encaustum* < Gk *énkauston* purple ink, n. use of neut. of *énkaustos* burnt in. See [ENCAUSTIC](#)]

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n.

1. A pigmented liquid or paste used especially for writing or printing.
2. A dark liquid ejected for protection by most cephalopods, including the octopus and squid.
3. *Informal* Coverage in the print media; publicity: *Her campaign rallies generated a lot of ink.*

tr.v. **inked, ink·ing, inks**

1. To mark, coat, or stain with ink.
2. *Informal* To append one's signature to (a contract, for example).

[Middle English *inke*, from Old French *enque*, from Late Latin *encaustum*, *purple ink*, from Greek *enkauston*, *painted in encaustic*, from *enkaiein*, *to paint in encaustic, burn in*; see **encaustic**.]

ink'er n., ink'i·ness n., ink'y adj.

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"the black liquor with which men write" [Johnson], c.1250, from O.Fr. *enque* "dark writing fluid," from L.L. *encaustum*, from Gk. *enkauston* "purple or red ink," used by the Roman emperors to sign documents, originally a neut. adj. form of *enkaustos* "burned in," from stem of *enkaiein* "to burn in," from *en-* "in" + *kaiein* "to burn" (see **caustic**). The word is from a Gk. method of applying colored wax and fixing it with heat. The verb meaning "to mark or stain in ink" is from 1562. *Inky* "as



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ink

noun

1. a liquid used for printing or writing or drawing
2. dark protective fluid ejected into the water by cuttlefish and other cephalopods

verb

1. append one's signature to; "They inked the contract"
2. mark, coat, cover, or stain with ink; "he inked his finger"
3. fill with ink; "ink a pen"

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ink [ɪŋk] noun

a black or coloured liquid used in writing, printing etc

Example: *Please sign your name in ink rather than pencil; I spilt red ink all over my dress.*

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See also: inkpot, inkwell, inky

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